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(Denver, Colo. - Oct. 23, 2006) The investigation and cleanup of lead and arsenic in residential soils in the Vasquez Boulevard & Interstate 70 (VB/I-70) Superfund site was completed in August. This was a vast residential soils cleanup project encompassing more than four square miles and more than 4,300 properties in all or parts of the Cole, Clayton, Swansea, Elyria, Globeville and Curtis Park neighborhoods. This Superfund project included innovative features such as a unique lead paint abatement program and a community-based Community Health Program in which residents are trained to speak with residents about environmental health hazards.

WHAT:

Ceremony commemorating completion of the VB/I-70 Superfund site residential soils cleanup. Please join community and agency representatives, elected officials and others for a celebration and recognition of this accomplishment. A reception and media availability session will follow the ceremony.

WHEN:

Wednesday, October 25, 10 a.m.

WHERE:

Swansea Recreation Center 2650 East 49th Avenue Denver, Colo. 80216

WHO:

Speakers will include:

Robert E. Roberts, EPA Region 8 Regional Administrator Chris Arend, representing Congresswoman Diana DeGette (D-CO)

Dennis Ellis, Executive Director, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Judy Montero, Denver City Councilwoman, District 9 Community Leaders

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